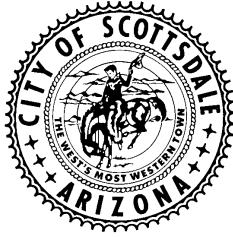


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DRAFT MINUTES

**Environmental Quality Advisory Board
7447 E. Indian School Rd., Ste. 105
Scottsdale, AZ
Wednesday, May 19, 2004
5:15 p.m.**

1) Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board was called to order by Chair Basinger at 5:23 p.m., noting the presence of a quorum

2) Roll Call and Approval of 4/21/04 meeting minutes

Members Present: Dan Basinger, Chair
Don Manthe, Vice Chair
Michele Cohen
Brian Munson
Jay Spector

Members Absent: Ron Hand
Randy Nussbaum

City Staff Present: Larry Person
Chuck Skidmore

Board Member Munson noted a correction to the April 21, 2004 meeting minutes. Page 3, under Acknowledgement and Recognition, remove "the" before Mr. Person's name. On motion made by Board Member Spector, and seconded by Vice-Chair Manthe, the minutes from the April 21, 2004 regular meeting were approved as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

3) Old Business

Noise Issues Update

Mr. Person referred to the February 26, 2004 memorandum from the EQAB to Mayor and Council reviewing the noise ordinance, and recommendations for improvement. He stated that the recommendations were well received and that the efforts of the EQAB were greatly appreciated. Mr. Person added that the three recommendations would be implemented. He recalled that the recommendations were:

- 1.) Rewording of the skateboard/Go-Ped Ordinance
- 2.) Updating the policy regarding fireworks displays to include the entire city
- 3.) Promotion of the Traffic Study Report

Chair Basinger noted that the city of Tucson had passed an ordinance prohibiting GoPed use on public property within the city limits. He explained that justification came from the manufacturer's statement that the vehicles do not conform to federal safety standards, and should not be used on public right-of-ways. He added that he had sent a copy of this information to Mayor Manross. Discussion ensued. It was the hope of the Board Members that the city would follow up on this matter as a safety issue.

City Parks Recycling

Board Member Spector stated that he had begun discussions with ADEQ relative to a pilot project to recycle at city parks. Discussion followed as to the mindset of the Solid Waste Department about recycling in city parks. Chair Basinger indicated that he had spoken with Mr. Pence from the Solid Waste Department and that they would not be adverse to a pilot program. Board Member Spector suggested dialogue with the Parks and Recreation Commission as to the design of the project and to leverage the resources of both Boards. He indicated that he would contact the Parks and Recreation Commission and would continue discussions with other interested staff and citizens. The Board members discussed various methods for recycling and how to deal with contamination issues.

4) New Business

Energy Trends Report.

Chair Basinger advised the Board that the McDowell Village Senior Center Project has been registered as a LEED gold project, and that Mr. Floyd was moving forward with Mr. Dreska on a city policy for LEED.

Mr. Skidmore stated that he felt this decade represented a period of realization where the United States had woken up to the fact that it is in trouble regarding energy and is going to do something about it. He noted that renewable energy trends are gaining momentum. Mr. Skidmore referred to the many reports depicting a rise in oil consumption, oil production and of course, cost, but cautioned that the picture is not as rosy as the charts would make it appear. He stated that the supply of oil is limited, and that the increasing consumption can't be met indefinitely. He observed that 5% of the population in the U. S. uses 25% of the world's oil. He noted that the world is spending more and more to obtain energy from a finite supply, and went on to discuss some of the global issues. He observed that people were waking up to the benefits of solar energy, but stated that policy makers must make a commitment to research and utilize the resources of solar.

Mr. Skidmore discussed the Ad Hoc Energy Committee within the city of Scottsdale, and efforts by those interested in renewable energy. He also discussed the kinetics of the large utility companies, politics, and economics as they relate to the emergence of renewable energy as a viable source of energy. He noted that the Environmental Portability Standard was being reviewed by the Corporation Commission. He characterized this as a good thing, as the current commissioners want to do more. He distributed a graph demonstrating peak and minimum loads and times, and noted the inefficiency of our current energy program. He stated that a viable solution could be the use of solar thermal energy. Mr. Skidmore reiterated that the trend is that supply is going down and cost is going up.

Mr. Skidmore asked for support from the EQAB in influencing city management at a higher level, getting on the Council agenda, and emphasizing energy planning and supply issues. Chair Basinger appointed Board Member Cohen and Board Member Spector to a task force to recommend people to be on this committee. In conclusion, Mr. Skidmore referred to several governmental reports that he would make available to the Board Members.

5) Standing Committee Reports

- Green Building Report

Chair Basinger noted that the appointment of seven Committee Members would take place at the next Green Building Committee meeting. He stated that Mr. Floyd would be sending the resumes to

the Board Members for their review.

- Water Committee task group

Vice Chair Manthe noted that the water industry professionals in Arizona had recently had an all day session on drought, with recommendations scheduled to come out in July. He stressed the severity of the drought and its implications. Discussion ensued. Chair Basinger encouraged Vice Chair Manthe and Board Member Munson to meet with Mr. Mansfield as soon as possible to work with the Water Resources Department in forming a committee to tackle water conservation issues. Discussion ensued as to selecting members of that committee and how to encourage participation and acceptance by the city policy makers.

6) Updates and Reminders

- Board Member discussion of environmental topics

Board Member Spector asked to change the date for the September meeting.

Board Member Spector advised the Board Members that the City of Scottsdale had received a \$1,000,000 grant for arsenic remediation. He also noted that he had been given the charge to come up with a water conservation incentive program, and welcomed input from the Board. Chair Basinger asked to add that topic as an agenda item for the next meeting.

Board Member Cohen requested an update on Mr. Floyd's white paper presentation on LEED certification for city facilities to Mr. Dreska. Chair Basinger reported that the paper had been presented and that Mr. Dreska was supportive. Mr. Dreska had asked for some editing changes and a format change for presentation to City Council at, tentatively, the July meeting.

- Next Meeting is Scheduled for 6/16/04

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

7) Adjournment

Being duly moved and seconded, the regular meeting of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board was adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Swanberg